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SOFIA PLEASE PASS JIM AUGEROT

1. DURING RECENT VISIT TO BUCHAREST RICHMOND DISCUSSED WITH EMBASSY BUCHAREST JIM AUGEROT'S PROPOSAL TO SEND THREE 90 DAY TOEFL ASSISTANTS TO ROMANIA CONSECUTIVELY OVER COURSE OF ACADEMIC YEAR, AND SUGGESTED THAT THEY MIGHT SUBSTITUTE FOR ONE OF THE TOEFL JUNIOR LECTURERS UNDER THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM. CU/EE WOULD FUND INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL, ROMANIANS WOULD PROVIDE STIPEND IN LEI AND COVER LOCAL COSTS INCLUDING HOUSING. THERE WOULD HOWEVER BE NO DOLLAR STIPEND.

2. EMBASSY BUCHAREST PROVISIONALLY FAVORS THE PROPOSAL BUT UNCLASSIFIED $\,$

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NEEDS DETAILS BEFORE REQUESTING MINED APPROVAL. HAS AUGEROT DISCUSSED PROPOSAL WITH DEAN CHITORAN, MINED OR OTHER ROMANIAN OFFICIALS AND WHAT WAS THEIR REACTION? WHEN WOULD THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON CANDIDATES BE READY TO START, AND WOULD THEY SERVE CONSECUTIVELY TO AVOID GAP IN CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION. WOULD THE TEACHING

ASSISTANTS BE USED AT BUCHAREST FOREIGN LANGUAGE CENTER AT PANDURI, RATHER THAN AT UNIVERSITY OF PEDAGOGICAL INSTITUTE WHERE PREVAILING SEMESTER SYSTEM MIGHT MAKE 90 DAY STAYS IMPRACTICAL?

3. REQUEST AUGEROT REPLY TO THESE QUESTIONS AND PROVIDE OTHER DETAILS DIRECTLY TO BUCHAREST VIA EMBASSY SOFIA. PLEASE REPEAT ALL TELEGRAMS THIS SUBJECT INFO DEPARTMENT FOR CU/EE. KISSINGER

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